



UB Highlights

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News & Events for April 1-15, 2017

International Week Events

For more information on the following, email
internationaloffice@bridgeport.edu

Dance Workshops

Led by UB's award-winning ballroom dance team. No dance experience needed. Mirror Room of the Bernhard Center.

Caribbean Dance, *Monday, April 3, 7:30-8:30 p.m.*

Latin/Salsa, *Tuesday, April 4, 7:30-8:30 p.m.*

African Beats, *Wednesday, April 5, 7:30-8:30 p.m.*

"A Life in Service": Peace Corps Panel

Hear stories from returned Peace Corps volunteers about their service abroad. Pizza will be served.

Monday, April 3, 12:20-1:20 p.m., Carlson 214.

South America Study Abroad Fair

UB's *Miguel Arroyo* and *Brandon LaFavor* will lecture in Spanish about South America's geography, demographics, economics, and culture. Headphones will be available. *Ilene Tillman*, from Academic Programs International (API), will talk about study opportunities in South America. Discovery Pavilion, *Tuesday, April 4, 12:20-1:20 p.m.*

Waist Bead Workshop

Learn how to create the waist beads worn by many women in northern and West Africa. Student Center Lobby, *Wednesday, April 5, 12:20-11:07 p.m.*

"We Are One" Photo Contest

UB students, faculty, and staff, are invited to submit photos illustrating our common human spirit. Students are invited to the Coffee Hour, *Thursday, April 6, 3-4:30 p.m.*, in the Great Room of the Student Center, to view and vote on the photos, and to enjoy some light refreshments.

Holi Festival Celebration

Holi is a traditional spring event in India and Nepal. People chase and color each other with dry paint powder, which will be provided for all participants. People's Park, *Friday, April 7, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.*

International Festival Celebration

Saturday, April 8, 5-10 p.m., Bernhard Center. UB students and staff f
celebrate their home countries and cultures. International food, cultural performances, and tabletop displays are offered from 5:00 p.m., performances at 7 p.m. in the Mertens Theater. Admission \$3 for students, \$5 faculty/staff, \$7 guests.

Purple Knights Home Athletic Events April 1-15, 2017

Baseball

Apr. 2 (Sun.), 12 p.m., Molloy @ Harbor Yard

Apr. 5 (Weds.), 5 p.m., Dominican @ Harbor Yard

Apr. 7 (Fri.), 11 a.m., LIU Post @ Harbor Yard

Apr. 9 (Sun.), 12 p.m., LIU Post @ Harbor Yard

Apr. 11 (Tues.), 3 p.m., Adelphi @ Harbor Yard

Apr. 15 (Sat.), 3 p.m., St. Thomas Aquinas @ Harbor Yard

Lacrosse (Women's)

Apr. 5 (Weds.), 4 p.m., Queens @ Knights Field

Softball

Apr. 1 (Sat.), 12 & 2 p.m., Queens @ Seaside Park

Apr. 9 (Sun.) 1 & 3 p.m., NYIT @ Seaside Park

Apr. 11 (Tues.), 3 & 5 p.m., Mercy @ Seaside Park

Apr. 13 (Thurs.), 3 & 5 p.m., LIU Post @ Seaside Park

Information Sessions

Register online and find more information for the following sessions in the Events section at
www.bridgeport.edu:

Biology (M.S.)

Discovery Pavilion, Wahlstrom Library: *Monday, April 10, 4:30-5:30 p.m.*

Counseling (M.S.)

Bates Hall: *Thursday, April 13, 4:30-5:30 p.m.*

Health Sciences (Graduate)

6th floor Wahlstrom: *Saturday, April 1, 10 a.m.-noon.* Acupuncture, Chiropractic, Dental Hygiene, Naturopathic Medicine, Nutrition, Physician Assistant, Chinese Herbology, Doctor of Health Sciences, Traditional Chinese Medicine.

Career Workshops

Job & Internship Workshop

Dana 130: *Tuesday, April 4, 12:20-1:20 p.m.*

Resume Workshop

Dana 130: *Wednesday, April 12, 12:20-1:20 p.m.*

LATE BUT GREAT

Information on the following arrived too late for the
March 15-31 issue of the Highlights.

Brag & Friends Art Show

Wednesday, March 29, 5-7 p.m.

A reception will be held in the Schelfhaudt Gallery of the Bernhard Center to open an exhibition featuring the Artists of the Black Rock Art Guild. "Brag and Friends" displays the work of local artists, co-curated by **Judy Noel** and **Johnes Ruta**. Gallery Director is **Peter Konstlerlie**. The reception is free and open to all, and the show continues in the Gallery until April 3.

Student Entrepreneur Center Alumni Event

Monday, April 3, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

UB's Office of Alumni Engagement and the Ernest C. Trefz School of Business invite you to hear the latest news from the School of Business, view presentations from current students and alumni, network, and enjoy a wine and cheese reception. In Mandeville Hall. Free, but RSVP to alumni@bridgeport.edu.



The Role of the Media

Wednesday, April 5, 6-8 p.m.

Pi Sigma Alpha honor society and the College of Public and International Affairs will present a colloquium, "The Role of Media in Conflict Resolution," in the duPont Tower Room of the Bernhard Center. Three experts, including a guest from the United Nations, will speak on the topic. Free and open to all.



Spring Fashion Show

Thursday, April 6, 4 & 7 p.m.

UB's annual spring fashion show, this year entitled "Into the Wild," will be offered at two times in the Social Room of the Student Center. The show is an extravaganza of sound and staging featuring UB students and current fashions. Free and open to all.



Alumni Art Show

Thursday, April 6, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Everyone is invited to the opening reception of the 2017 exhibition of artworks of UB alumni, in the Schelfhaudt Gallery of the Bernhard Center. Free and open to all, but RSVP by Monday, April 3, to lechristi@bridgeport.edu, 203-576-4151, or reply online. The installation will be open to the public through April 16 during regular gallery hours.



South China Sea Disputes

Weds., April 12, 12:20-1:20 p.m.

A CPIA Roundtable with Prof. **Nancy Wei**, "The Post-Arbitration South China Sea Disputes," will explore what happened after the Permanent Court of Arbitration nullified China's South China Sea claims in July 2016. Beijing and Taipei both rejected the ruling, and the Philippines' President Duterte agreed to shelve the dispute with Beijing. Contact Prof. **Susan Katz** at skatz@bridgeport.edu or (203) 583-0509 for more information.

Human Resources in China

Saturday, April 1, 10:30 a.m.-noon

Dr. **Shuming Zhao**, chair professor and honorary dean of the School of Business at Nanjing University, China, will speak on "Human Resources Management in China," in Room 104 of Mandeville Hall.



Accepted Students Day

Sunday, April 2, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Students whose applications to study at UB have been accepted are invited to campus, where they will have a chance to sample what it's like to be a UB student. Activities begin in the Wheeler Recreation Center and include a continental breakfast reception, student clubs and organizations fair, a classroom "test drive," lunch with current students and faculty, and financial aid assistance. Register online or contact **Jessica Crowley**, jessiccr@bridgeport.edu, for more information.



Peter and the Wolf

Sunday, April 2, 3 p.m.

In the Mertens Theater of the Bernhard Center, the New England Ballet Company of Bridgeport and the Greater Bridgeport Youth Orchestra will present "Peter and the Wolf" and Benjamin Britten's "Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra." General admission is \$10, available at the door or at www.gbyo.tix.com.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR UNDERGRADUATE/GRADUATE

Registration for Fall 2017 Semester
Begins Tuesday, April 4

UB ACHIEVEMENTS & HONORS

STUDENTS & ALUMNI

ARTS & SCIENCES

Warren Maxwell '86 has been appointed to head the federal probation office in Connecticut. Maxwell will be sworn in on July 1, 2017. Following his B.S. in psychology from UB, he earned an MBA from Southern Connecticut State University. He has received numerous awards and has been recognized for his contributions and leadership.

ENGINEERING

Aytekin Tank '98, computer science, launched his company, JotForm, in 2006. The company now has more than 2.5 million users worldwide, employs over 75 people, and was recognized as one of the "Best Privately Owned Companies in America" by *Entrepreneur Magazine* in the fall of 2016.

FASHION MERCHANDISING

Kathleen P. Sheehy '90 has been named to the Worldwide Leaders in Healthcare. Following her B.S. from UB, Sheehy earned her RN from the Bridgeport Hospital School of Nursing in 2003 and has completed advanced training in a number of areas.

You might have missed . . .

March 1: Dusan Bogunovic '04, a pioneer in the world of immunogenetics, spoke at UB on "Genetics and Immunology." Dr. Bogunovic is an assistant professor in the Department of Microbiology at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mt. Sinai Hospital in New York. In 2015 he won a Milstein Young Investigator Award, and the next year the American Society for Microbiology presented him with its ICAAC Young Investigator Award. In fall of 2016 *Scientific American* magazine listed his research as one of the "ten world-changing ideas" with the power "to bend history." His work focuses on beating viruses like herpes, Ebola, and Zika, which often outwit current drugs. Dr. Bogunovic's talk was sponsored by the UB Biology Club.

FACULTY & STAFF

ENGINEERING

Lawrence Hmurcik, professor of electrical engineering, and **Jonathan Hartzsch**, a mechanical engineer, monitored the speed of many Nerf-like foam darts shot from a plastic toy gun. The darts have a blunt head and are very light, yet one hit a teenager and caused permanent eye damage. Although the U.S. government has a safety standard for children's play restricting speed of such darts to 25 meters/second or less, Hmurcik and Hartzsch found that stock items had speeds of 40 to 50 meters/second. Since damage is proportional to the speed squared, this means the energy of such sold items is 3 to 4 times more damaging than allowed.

NURSING

Linda Wagner, associate dean, has published, with S. Christensen, M. Coleman, and D. Appell, "The Lived Experience of Having a Rare Medical Disorder: Hermansky-Pudlak Syndrome," in *Chronic Illness*, 13(1).

Good News

CPIA students **Ana Rena**, **Justin Sabo**, **Fernando Gonzalez**, and **Sung Soon Gavel** have been awarded the U.S. State Department's Critical Language Scholarships (CLS). Rena, Sabo, and Gonzalez will study Arabic at a still-to-be-determined site in the Middle East, and Gavel will study Korean at Chonnam National University in South Korea. The CLS program fully funds 8-10 weeks of group-based intensive language instruction during the summer.



At the Connecticut Music Educators' Association In-Service Conference in Hartford, March 30-April 1, UB's graduate Music Education program was prominent. **Jose Lara '16** presented "Digital Audio Workstations and Technology for the Music Classroom," and UB professor **Ken Trapp** presented "A Ukulele Curriculum for General Music." UB Prof. **Brandt Schneider**'s Seymour High School Chorale was chosen to perform at the conference. **Frank Martignetti** is director of UB's graduate program and interim director of the undergraduate Music & Performing Arts program.

Did we miss something? *UB Highlights* is published twice monthly during the academic year and monthly in January, June, and July to inform the University community about UB events and achievements. To comment or to list your event or award, e-mail Rebecca Salonen, UBHighlights@bridgeport.edu, or call x4988.